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SUBJECT: DRV VIOLATIONS OF PARIS AGREEMENT

1. DEPT RELEASED TEXT OF OCT 26 US NOTE TO DRV OCT 30. IN RESPONSE TO PRESS INQUIRIES, DEPT SPOKESMAN POINTED TO THE HIGH LEVEL OF DRV INFILTRATION OF MEN AND MATERIAL IN VIOLATION OF THE AGREEMENT AND EMPHASIZED ENEMY FORCE STRENGTH IN SVN IS NOW GREATER THAN PRIOR TO LAST YEAR'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFENSIVE. HE REFUSED TO FORECAST AN OFFENSIVE BUT SAID

THE OTHER SIDE'S ACTION CERTAINLY RAISED IN OUR MINDS "THE POSSIBILITY". HE ADDED THAT IN THE PAST THE NORTH VIETNAMESE HAVE MADE SERIOUS MISCALCULATIONS ABOUT A US RESPONSE TO SUCH MOVES.

2. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE ALLEGED PRESENCE OF 20,000 AMERICANS IN SVN IN VIOLATION OF THE AGREEMENT, SPOKESMAN SAID, "THERE ARE NO AMERICANS IN VIOLATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT." HE TOOK QUESTION ON NUMBER OFFICIAL AMERICANS IN SVN AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY GIVEN PERSONNEL BREAKDOWN SHOWING THAT THERE ARE PRESENTLY APPROXIMATELY 5,900 AMERICANS IN SVN, OF WHICH 2,400 DIRECT-HIRE CIVILIAN, 3,300 CONTRACT-PERSONNEL AND 225 MILITARY. KISSINGER

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